

'Papa Doc' Duvalier, Haiti Dictator, Dead

PORT AU PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Francois "Papa Doc" Duvalier, the little dictator who became dictator of Haiti 14 years ago, is dead at the age of 64. His son Jeanne Claude, 20, was announced today as his successor.

A presidential palace announcement said: "President Duvalier is dead after a three-month illness. He passed away last night."

The official radio said Jean Claude Duvalier is now president. It listed a new Cabinet with only two holdovers.

Port au Prince was quiet. The national radio played classical music.

None of the announcements reported the cause of death. The "president for life," as he had himself designated, had suffered a series of strokes. He was also a diabetic.

As his health weakened, Duvalier asked the republic's legislature in January to change the constitution to allow his son to take over as president in the event anything happened to him. This was because Jeanne Claude was below the previously established age.

Before he became 64 last week, associates said Duvalier would make a birthday appearance to demonstrate that he was healthy

and strong. He did not. His son took his place. The palace insisted that Duvalier needed rest on the orders from his doctors.

Duvalier's death raised speculation of a struggle for power, despite the appointment of his son as successor.

Since Haiti is only 46 miles from Cuba at the nearest point, the hemisphere is sensitive to its upheavals and the possibility of a thrust in Haiti's direction from Fidel Castro's Communists.

Diplomatic sources foresaw the possibility of a long period of chaos in this tiny, impoverished Caribbean na-



FRANCOIS DUVALIER

tion of five million. A struggle for power could be concentrated, meanwhile, among the high-ranking officers of Duvalier's armed forces, always the source of political struggle in Haiti.

State Clears Transfer Of Eaman School To Coloma

COLOMA —A letter from state Schools Supt. John W. Porter has apparently cleared the way here for the Coloma school district to take possession of the Eaman school property from the Benton Harbor district.

Schools Supt. William Barrett reported Porter, in the letter, said the Coloma district had complied with a state order to pay Benton Harbor school district \$40,000 for the property. The letter was dated April 16.

Coloma sent the payment to Porter when Benton Harbor Supt. Dr. Mark Lewis declined to accept it on behalf of the district.

Porter said the building and 4.26 acres of land comprising the school site are now officially part of the Coloma district. He also expressed confidence that Benton Harbor would comply with the state transfer of the students and property.

The state approved transfer of the students in the former Eaman district to Coloma schools in 1970 subject to payment of

the \$40,000 by June 30. If the money had not been paid, the transfer would have been nullified.

Barrett indicated he wanted to take possession of the building as soon as possible and that a formal request to Benton Harbor to remove their students from the building would be made.

Barrett added, "We need the Eaman building and we need it now." "We have 91 kids attending classes at Camp Warren in sub-standard school buildings, and with a better building now in our district (Eaman building) we've got to start using it."

'IT'S NOT FAIR'

"Benton Harbor has empty classrooms in their school system, and can move the kids out of the Eaman school, so why should Coloma kids attend classes at Camp Warren in sub-standard buildings. It's not fair," said Barrett.

Eaman property owners raised the needed funds and donated the money to the Coloma school board, which in turn went on official record as in favor of purchasing the Eaman property.

White House Cheers Living Cost Figures

WASHINGTON (AP) — Higher grocery prices nipped more than a penny from the purchasing power of every food dollar last month, but a drop in housing and new car prices held down the overall rise in living costs and cheered the White House.

"This has to be interpreted as good news indeed—extremely good news, very reassuring," said President Nixon's chief economic advisor Paul McCracken, after the government's March living costs report came out Wednesday.

The overall rise in living costs

was three-tenths of one per cent, pushing the government's Consumer Price Index up to 119.8, said the report by the Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics. This meant it cost \$11.98 last month for every \$10 worth of typical family purchases in the 1967 period on which the index is based.

GROCERY PRICES UP
Grocery prices rose 1.1 per cent, sharpest monthly increase in six months, but housing costs declined two-tenths of one per cent, almost entirely because of a continuing drop in mortgage interest rates.

New car prices dropped eight-tenths of one per cent, but used cars were up 1.2 per cent. Overall transportation costs rose three-tenths of one per cent because of additional price increases for train, plane and bus travel, the report said.

Clothing costs rose four-tenths of one per cent, including a 1.3 per cent increase for men's wear, the biggest rise in several years. Women's wear declined by two-tenths.

Medical costs rose eight-tenths of one per cent because of a continuing sharp rise in doctors' fees and hospital

charges, the report said.

GOOD NEWS
McCracken said the best news in the report were figures showing that on a seasonally adjusted basis, prices the first three months of 1971 rose at an annual rate of 2.7 per cent for the smallest first-quarter rise in four years.

Prices over the year were up 4.6 per cent, compared with calendar year 1970's 5.5 per cent rise and 1969's 6.1 per cent hike, biggest two-year jump in two decades.

AFL-CIO economist Nathaniel Goldfinger, persistent critic of Nixon's economic policies, said, "The cost of living is still rising rapidly."

But another frequent critic, Sen. William Proxmire, D. Wis., chairman of the joint House-Senate Economic Committee, said, "This is the most encouraging indication in many months that the President's program of inflation control is beginning to work."

'NEW STABILITY'
McCracken, speaking to newsmen at the White House, said he did not want to suggest that the battle against inflation had been won, but that the administration was approaching its goal of "a new stability in the price level."

The higher food prices, particularly for meats and fresh fruits and vegetables, accounted for more than two-thirds of the March rise in overall living costs, the report said.

"Food prices rose 1.1 per cent in March, the sharpest monthly rise since late 1969," it said.

"Prices of meats, fish and dairy products rose instead of declining seasonally. Increases in prices of poultry and fresh fruits and vegetables were considerably larger than normal and egg prices declined much less than usual," it added.

Prices of restaurant meals and snacks away from home rose three-tenths of one per cent, a little less than the two

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Hey, Spiro--Does Nixon Face Ping Pong Trap?

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Nixon has accepted honorary membership in the U.S. Table Tennis Association, the group Vice President Spiro T. Agnew is reported as saying fell into a Chinese propaganda trap.

Without announcement, Nixon accepted the membership Wednesday from Graham B. Steenhoven, president of the association and leader of the U.S. table tennis team that toured mainland China last week.

It appears significant that Nixon called Steenhoven to the White House following Agnew's privately expressed concerns about the team's China visit.

'OVEREMPHASIS'
Agnew told Republican governors in a private session Monday he was concerned by over-emphasis on the Chinese tour by the 15 American athletes, and about the way the tour received press coverage in the United States.

He was said to have feared an

adverse effect on the National Chinese government based on Taiwan.

Nixon presumably could only be less than happy about Agnew's reported statements, never denied. They followed the announcement of a five-point Nixon plan aimed at renewal of at least limited trade and travel between the U.S. and China.

All forthcoming participants in inner-council arguments that preceded Nixon's decision agree that the vice president took a skeptical stance at the time.

While most Cabinet members have kept silent, Secretary of State William P. Rogers made a rare for-direct-quotations statement Tuesday that, in effect, he could hardly be happier about the recent developments.

Moreover, the State Department placed an "excellent" rating on reporting from China by the three American newsmen permitted to travel there with

the U.S. table tennis team.

QUESTIONS REPORTING
Agnew, by contrast, has been quoted as questioning the reporting job done by the American newsmen.

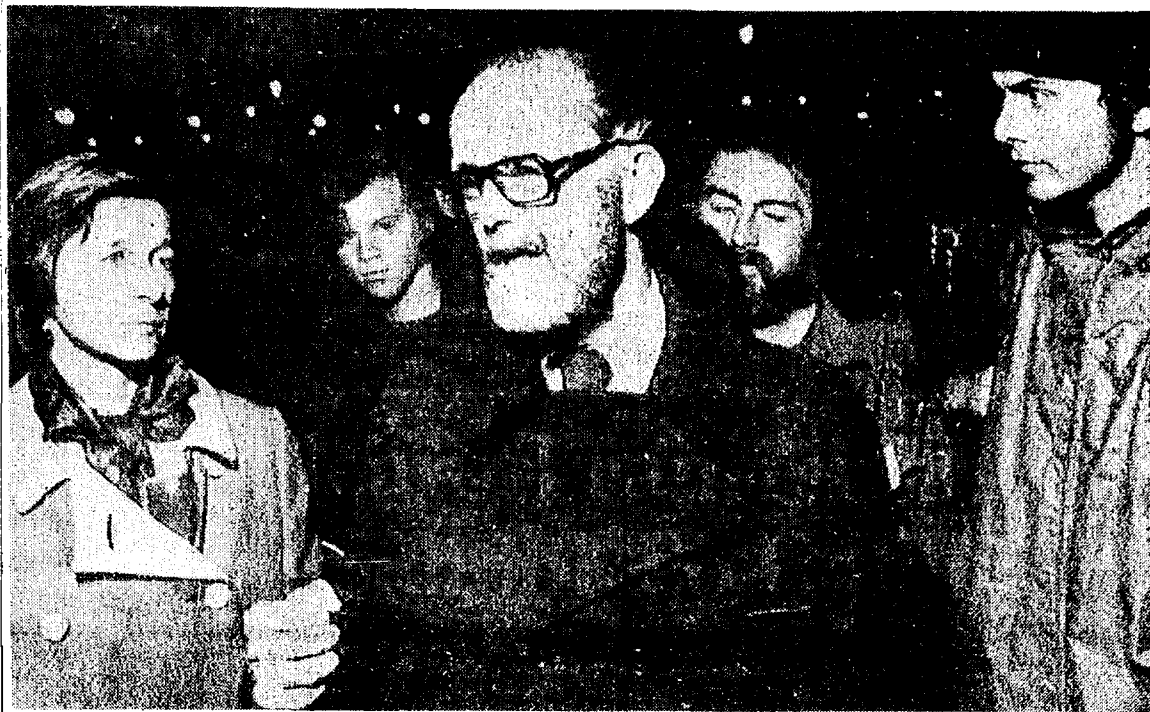
Chinese table tennis players have an oral invitation from Steenhoven to make a return visit here. They have accepted in turn.

After meeting with Nixon for about an hour Wednesday, Steenhoven said a more formal written invitation will be extended almost immediately.

He said that if the Chinese want a private session with Nixon, "then I'll ask the President to accommodate them."

The White House wouldn't say publicly whether Nixon would receive the prospective visitors, but knowledgeable sources said he would be delighted to do so.

White House press secretary Ronald L. Ziegler said visas for the Chinese, if they want to come, will be expedited.



HART VISITS WAR PROTESTORS: Michigan Sen. Philip A. Hart and his wife visit antiwar demonstrators encamped on the Mall in Washington Wednesday night against a Supreme Court order. Hart earlier supported the bivouac in a

speech on the Senate floor. With implied approval of the Justice Department, the hundreds of Vietnam veterans have ignored a Supreme Court order to break camp on the Mall while protesting the war in which they once fought. (AP Wirephoto)

Coeds Pull Switch--Chase Male

In Interest Of Science

DAVIS, Calif. (AP) — "I'll pick you up at eight," the coed said to the male student. "Your place." What was the male reaction?

The men they asked out on dates were usually uncomfortable, says two freshmen coeds at the University of California's Davis campus.

Candy Cooley of San Diego and Linda Dankman of Sacramento assumed the male role in dating for three months in the interest of science.

Linda earned an A in an experimental sociology class for a paper entitled "A Sociological Study of the Divergency of Sexual Dimorphism." Translated into layman's terms, that means "Do Young Men Like to be Pursued by Young Women?"

"We took the male initiative," said Linda. "I would ask the guy for a date, pick him up in my car, drive him to the show, pay, put my arm around him during the movie, light his cigarettes, open doors... the whole business."

LAUGH NERVOUSLY

Said Candy: "Either they would fight us to open the doors, or they'd laugh nervously and say, 'Okay, you take this one,' but we got to open the next one." They'd refuse to eat at the restaurant because we were paying, say they weren't hungry, beg us to let them drive home, and scrunch up in their seats with their arms folded protectively at the movies."

Candy said two young men offered to share their dinner with the girls after a period of flirtation but responded "Wow, no way!" when the girls asked to take them to the movies.

The girls said they double-dated for moral support and never told the men what was going on.

"We came to the conclusion that men cherish their dominant aggressive role," said Candy. "They can't tolerate a dominant female."

"Of the dozen dates we've had, none of the guys we dated ever called back."



AGGRESSORS: Two freshmen coeds at the University of California Davis campus, Linda Dankman, left, and Candy Cooley, divulged they have completed a three month study in boy-chasing for an experimental sociology class. The scholarly report titled "A Sociological Study of the Divergency of Sexual Dimorphism"—in lockerroom lingo means, "Do Men Like Being Hustled by Women?" (AP Wirephoto)

Agreement Reached At Bendix

Tentative agreement was reached this morning on a new contract between the Hydraulics division of Bendix Corp. and United Auto Workers Local 383. Announcement was made by the company and Art Vega, UAW international representative.

Agreement came less than an hour before the 10:30 a.m. expiration of a contract extension. Vega said as far as he knew all union members were on their jobs today.

Time and place of a ratification meeting was not set immediately. Vega said there will be two votes: the company-wide master contract on which agreement was reached last week and the contract involving the Hydraulics division on Lakeshore drive, south of St. Joseph.

A wildcat strike stymied production at the plant Friday but workers returned to their jobs Monday.

Win Schulers Sunday Brunch 11-1 p.m. Stevensville, Mich. Adv.



WINS WHIRLPOOL SCHOLARSHIP: Jack Sparks (right), group vice president for marketing, presents Whirlpool Foundation scholarship to Lisbeth Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Lee (left). Scholarship valued at \$4,000 for four years is presented annually to the son or daughter of an employee of the Whirlpool Sales or Consumer Services division. A St. Joseph high school senior, Miss Lee plans to attend Michigan State university to study for a career in English and drama education.

tion or creative writing. Miss Lee was district winner in the VFW Voice of Democracy contest. Her father is corporate manager, business analysis, in Whirlpool's economic marketing research department. Scholarship judges were Dr. David Stephen, DDS; Edward Schalon, vice president of special groups for Sealed Power Corp., and Stephen Nisbet, director of the Benton Harbor office of Western Michigan university.

Your Social Security Tax Going Up, Up, Up

WASHINGTON (AP) — The day of reckoning is here on the cost of Social Security-Medicare benefit changes approved by the House Ways and Means Committee—and the likely tab may be a 41-per-cent increase in payroll taxes.

That would mean a maximum of \$166.60 each for employee and employer.

The committee has approved, subject to a final vote, costly increases in Social Security benefits, including higher payments for widows, a cost-of-living adjustment in the future, more leeway for pensioners' earnings and extension of medicare to the disabled.

The committee started work Wednesday on payroll-tax

changes needed to finance the increases. No firm decision has been reached, but sources said the most likely outcome would be an increase in the payroll tax Jan. 1, 1972, to 5.4 per cent on a base of \$10,600 in wages.

This would mean a total of \$572.40 in tax withheld from anyone earning \$10,600 or more in 1972 and an equal amount from

his employer.

By contrast, the rate this year is 5.2 per cent on a \$7,800 maximum, or \$405.60.

The committee may still work out a different financing method, or even cut back on some of the benefit increases.

And whatever it decides must face the test of House and Senate consideration.

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Editorial Page

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Courts As School Custodians

Although the headline writers singled out busing as the dominant theme in the U.S. Supreme Court's latest school segregation decision, the gist of the opinion lay buried like an iceberg in the lengthy reports on the case.

Tuesday's ruling was on a consolidation of five separate cases coming up from the southern states.

While the facts vary from one situation to the next, all of them involve state or local efforts to maintain segregated schools by legislative effort. This effort attempts to operate separate but equal school facilities for white and black students.

The Court, with Earl Warren presiding as Chief Justice, in 1954 declared this long standing separate but equal rationale no longer valid; and in 1968, with Warren still in charge, thundered that school integration must be achieved "now."

Tuesday's opinion fills in some gaps which the 1968 "now" ruling failed to cover.

This is the mechanics of how to do it.

Busing is one method, said the Court. Gerrymandering of school zones is another.

The real meat in the decision, however, is the Supreme Court's directive to the lower federal courts, particularly those at the district or trial level, to assume an activist role in implementing the opinion.

The district courts are directed to scrutinize carefully and to amend if they see fit the plans of the school districts to establish the racial balance which local areas have kept out by various legalistic devices.

In other words, the district courts are expected to determine if busing is needed or if it is undesirable. They can look at population ratios as a guide to a required racial balance in the school. They can pair off all white and all black schools in a zoning arrangement. Finally, they are required to make certain that school authorities do not build new structures or abandon existing ones to get around what

the Warren Court first said was forbidden 17 years ago.

This principle of continuing jurisdiction is as old as the American judiciary itself, but this is the first time it has been extended into a political situation.

It can well be the reason for prompting Governor Wallace of Alabama to declare that "the opinion was written in a madhouse."

For some purposes the public school districts within the territorial limits of a federal district court will find board members and the judges as partners.

The next obvious step will be an effort to apply the same principle to the neighborhood school concept.

One aspect of this thorny argument is already on way to Washington.

Two years ago the New York legislature adopted a statute outlawing the shifting of students from one school to another simply for the sake of achieving racial balance.

The federal district court at Buffalo declared the statute unconstitutional. A parents organization in Buffalo is appealing that ruling.

Efforts to separate the beleaguered Benton Harbor district into more homogeneous parcels could well furnish another test case.

Tuesday's opinion even though it does not bear immediately upon the neighborhood school concept is not a popular one.

Only time can tell if it is a wise one, wise in the sense of being something more than an exercise in legal logic.

The opinion is moderate when compared to prior decisions from the Warren Court.

Quite likely Chief Justice Burger wrote the opinion in temperate terms and left open a few options in the realization that integration by force of law alone will not bring about togetherness.

In that context he seeks to have the law serve as a crutch, not a straitjacket.

How About A Ping-Pong Game?



GLANCING BACKWARDS

GOP LEADERS NIX INCOME TAX HIKE

—1 Year Ago—

Majority Senate Republicans have agreed to oppose any increase in the income tax rate this year and cut at least \$25-\$30 million from Gov. William Milliken's proposed \$1.75 billion budget for 1970-71.

The caucus decision said Majority Leader Emil Lockwood, makes it "virtually impossible" for the Legislature to pass the \$1.2 billion school aid plan now pending in the upper chamber.

AIMIN GTO BE FIRST ON MOON

—10 Years Ago—

President Kennedy said today the United States may lag behind Russia in space for the next 10 years but is bending every effort to become first to the moon.

The President at his news conference studiously avoided

questions about Cuba and the speech he made Thursday saying the United States would not hesitate to act alone against communism in his hemisphere if necessary to protect its own security.

King George II of Greece said today that the Greek army of Epirus had "signed an Armistice with the enemy without our knowing it" and announced that he was withdrawing with his government to Crete.

The monarch declared, however, that the armistice "in no way binds the free will of the nation, the king and the government, which consists of a continuation of the struggle with all remaining forces with a view to securing the supreme national interests."

HONOR STUDENTS

—40 Years Ago—

Eight students of the Bacon

school who have received all-A report cards are Catherine Wilson, Farrell Bender, Henry Dongvillo, Richard Plangger, Geraldine Grafuis, Richard Rosstrand, Ronald Wentland and Florian Adent.

PLAN BAZAAR

—30 Years Ago—

The Trinity Lutheran Sewing circle met at the church auditorium and completed plans for their bazaar and finished articles to be sold. The hostesses were Mrs. Albert Tilly and Mrs. A. G. Marshall.

NEW POSITION

—50 Years Ago—

Jesse Leever has taken a position as pharmacist with the Knaak drug company. He is a graduate of Ferris institute.

TWO COMPLETE

—80 Years Ago—

The side and rear wall of the new addition to the Lake View hotel are completed to the second story.

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Editor, Herald-Press:

URGES PASSAGE OF AMENDMENT

At last there is some relief in sight for the American taxpayers. The Liberty Amendment, H.C.R.87, which was introduced in the Michigan House April 1, by Rep. Richard Friske, would supply that needed relief.

How? By applying the terms of the United States Constitution, which reads: "No Capitation, or other direct Tax shall be laid, unless in Proportion to the Census or Enumeration hereinafter directed to be taken." Article 1, Section 9, of our Constitution.

Section 4, of the Liberty Amendment reads: "Three Years after ratification of this amendment the sixteenth article of amendments to the Constitution of the United States shall stand repealed and there after congress shall not levy taxes on personal incomes, estates, and/or gifts."

What does all this mean to

If, as taxpayers, you would like to see the personal income tax repealed, I urge you to write your senator, and representatives about this amendment.

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WHY THIS FEAR OF SURVEILLANCE?

So now our liberal-thinking laymen in Washington want to make FBI surveillance of subversive suspects virtually illegal.

A right-thinking individual need not fear such surveillance, since when the FBI becomes involved, an act or threat against national security or law has already been committed.

Would these same "civil defenders" also fight against the purchase and use of personal mailing lists for commercial purposes? There is far more invasion of personal privacy being practiced by the use of such mailing lists than even can be imagined by the FBI.

This is my kind of Civil Rights protest. Why do I have to be just one more pawn for this vicious practice?

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Olivet's Prexy Says Emphasis Put On Quality

BY DICK DERRICK
SJ City Editor

Olivet college is going to carve its greatness in quality education, not size of enrollment, Dr. Ray B. Loeschner told alumni and Twin City civic leaders yesterday.

Dr. Loeschner, at 39 the youngest four-year college president in Michigan, was guest of two trustees, Jack D. Sparks and Albert F. Dixel at a reception at Berrien Hills yesterday afternoon and spoke at a gathering of alumni at First Congregational church, St. Joseph, in the evening. Sparks and Dixel are St. Joseph residents.

Olivet is a "small" private college he said and the trustees have approved his recommendation that it seek to maintain its enrollment around

the 900 mark. Olivet started school last fall with a record enrollment — 864 students — but it also has a student-teacher ratio of 13 to one and "we're proud of that," he said.

CLASSES SMALL

"Classes are small at Olivet and we think that's important. Because classes are small students have an opportunity to know their professors, their deans, even the president — and we have an opportunity to know them. We think this is a unique situation in higher education today and one we're very proud of."

"Students at Olivet are known by name, not numbers, and Olivet is still a very friendly campus," he said.

Dr. Loeschner pledged Olivet is going to try to be No. 1 in

everything it undertakes. "Anything worth doing," he said, "is worth doing well and that's the way we plan the future and we are going to be No. 1 in everything."

The young president, who has a stellar athletic background, said: "I'm often asked, are we going to overemphasize athletics? I don't think we can overemphasize anything we plan whether its music, art, debate, athletics, or anything else we plan to do the very best we can do and I guess if that's overemphasizing I'm going to be guilty in every area. I plan to make your college the very best."

IN GOOD SHAPE

He said the Olivet physical plant is in good shape. One of the advantages of remaining small is that heavy expenditures for capital improvements are unnecessary and the subsequent expense of maintaining new buildings can be minimized. However, in the next few years he would like to see an all-events building to house sports, a pool, physical education and related activities. Another prime need to go with Olivet's strong music program is a new music center.

He gave alumni a four-point program to support the college: 1 — be an ambassador, talk up Olivet, its friendliness, its quality educational program; 2 — serve on boards, committees, volunteer; 3 — recruit, tell young people about Olivet, get them to visit the campus because if they do they will catch the Olivet spirit; 4 — investigate the Michigan state tax credit program under act 315 of 1968 for contributions to Michigan colleges.

Dr. Loeschner, a native of Indiana, graduated from Grand Rapids Junior college, Albion college, and Northwestern university. He has taught at Northwestern, Augustan college, Washburn and at Eastern Michigan college. When President Harold E. Sponberg was named to head Eastern he brought Dr. Loeschner to Ypsilanti with him.

Dr. Loeschner was appointed president of Olivet, Feb. 1, 1970 and was installed Feb. 24, 1971 on "Founders day" combining the two events as an economy measure.

He was a state Golden Gloves champion, Michigan AAU pole vault champion in 1951, MIAA pole vault champion in 1953 and blazed an outstanding athletic record at Albion where he made the Little All-America football team, was voted one of the top ten Albion gridgers and was placed in Albion's hall of fame with his football jersey retired.

The Olivet college madrigal singers, utilizing a unique echo rendition for their opening number, entertained at the Alumni banquet. They were under the direction of Robert D. Barnes, associate professor of music.

Accompanying the president was Owen F. Whitkopf, director of college relations; Donald T. Conover, business manager; Leo W. Tyson, director of promotion and development and James A. Dryer, director of financial aid.



WILLIAM STEINKE
Valedictorian



AMY STREFFLING
Salutatorian

Top Grads Named At Lakeshore

Boy, Girl Winners Of Scholarships

William Steinke has been named valedictorian and Amy Dwan Streffling, salutatorian, of Lakeshore high school's 1971 graduating class.

Steinke is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Steinke, 250 East John Beers road, St. Joseph. His father is secretary of the Lakeshore school board.

Miss Streffling's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Emil Streffling, 9295 Cleveland avenue, Baroda. Steinkes, 17, plans to attend Michigan State university and major in engineering. He has received a St. Joseph Elks Lodge 541 scholarship.

A National Merit finalist, he is Key Club president and a member of the pep band, National Honor Society, "L" club, 4-H, senior band and has played football.

Miss Streffling, also 17, has been accepted in the fall honors program at Andrews university where she has also received a freshman scholarship for academic achievement. She plans to win a liberal arts degree.

President of the National Honor Society, Miss Streffling is also treasurer of Future Homemakers of America, president of Future Medics and a member of the concert choir. She is also a member of the Immanuel Lutheran church.

Norman Lambert, high school guidance counselor, also announced that 19 other seniors in the graduating class are listed as honor students by attaining a grade point average of 3.5 (4.0 equals all A's) during their school career.

Those honor students are Dan Schiman, Debra Pauler, Jeffrey Turcotte, Terrance Walter, Jodie Rool, Frederick Armbruster, Diana Boeleke, Mary Davis, Patrick Morrison, Kim Rochau, Robert Katz, Rick Coleman, Jill Robbins, Kevin Sprague, Colleen Wiles, Jane Hassler, Robert Schultz, Linda Parker and David Palmer.

Pleads Guilty In Knife Assault

A Benton township teenager, Larry James Williams, pleaded guilty Wednesday in Berrien circuit court to a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon.

Williams, about 19, of 1763 East Britain avenue, was accused of assaulting Elroy Jones with a knife on Aug. 15, 1970, in Benton Harbor. Williams was continued free until sentence on \$1,500 bond by Judge Chester J. Byrns.



CONCERT TOUR: Bernie Kuschel directs the Benton Harbor high school symphony band in concert at Lake Michigan Catholic, one of a series by BHHS musicians at area schools. Although

Benton Harbor is famed for its flashy marching bands, Kuschel says many students like symphonic music best. "For it is here they and their instruments can express artistry." (Staff photo)

On Spring Tour

BHHS Band Wows Audience

BY JIM SHANAHAN
BH City Editor

One of southwestern Michigan's best-sounding road shows stopped at Lake Michigan Catholic Wednesday to perform before an appreciative student audience.

The big symphony band from Benton Harbor is on spring tour bringing good music and goodwill to area schools.

Yesterday's concert in St. Joseph followed a p e a r-

ances at Eau Claire and Berrien Springs. Director Bernie Kuschel said another concert will be arranged at South Haven along with appearances in Benton Harbor schools.

Kuschel explained the purpose of the concert circuit:

"Our enjoyment is in playing and if it pleases you, then our enjoyment is that much greater."

There's also another motive: preparation for the

state festival at Western Michigan university where 16 Class AA bands will perform against standards of excellence on May 1. Benton Harbor earned its berth by winning a Division I rating in the district contest for the 21st consecutive year.

Sister Noreen Marie, Lake Michigan Catholic principal, said after the concert: "We are very pleased that Mr. Kuschel and his band offered this fine program to us. It was excellent exposure

for our students." Ninely strong, the symphony band is at the top rung of the BHHS music ladder. The concert band is composed of sophomores and juniors and this year the school fields a freshman band.

Kuschel's talents and experience gained in a 30-year career plus the dedication of bandmen are the basic ingredients for success. But there's also a major tangible asset — the symphony band is equipped with every

available instrument for modern concert.

The concert at Lake Michigan Catholic consisted of seven numbers ranging from marches to intricate symphony movements and the catchy strains of "Mame."

Kuschel told the audience: "I won't pretend that you will enjoy all the music (some was very unfamiliar), but listen for sounds of strangeness."

He may have been wrong on that score.

Citizens Differ Over Keeping Napier Avenue A Residential Area

By HOWARD HOLMES
Staff Writer

Benton township's desire to keep Napier avenue residential came under fire last night, but some Fairplain residents maintained it could be a nice four-lane residential area like Niles avenue in St. Joseph.

The dispute occurred during a public hearing at the Fairplain junior high school, where the township planning commission and township planning consultants met with interested residents. About 25 attended.

The meeting was the first of two to be held on revising the township's 1965 basic zoning plan. If the revised plan is accepted, it could change the zoning of some parts of the township. The second meeting is set for April 29 at Lake Michigan college.

Frank Loomis, III, a former resident of Fairplain, told the township officials they were being unrealistic in trying to maintain the street as a residential area because of its heavy volume of traffic.

OBSTRUCT DEVELOPMENT

Widening Napier avenue to four lanes with a 40 miles per hour speed limit will continue to obstruct development of vacant land on Napier, he added. He suggested the street be rezoned multiple dwelling.

Thompson A. Dyke, associate partner of Harland Bartholomew & Associates, which prepared the 1965 basic plan and the revised plan, suggested that the speed limit could be reduced to 25 miles per hour.

The suggestion brought laughter from the audience, but Mrs.

Patsy Oldham, 1922 Union street, got applause when she suggested the speed be set at 30 mph and that Napier could be as fine as Niles avenue in St. Joseph.

George Bicanich, owner of George's Barber shop, 157 East Napier avenue, said Napier was, in effect, already commercial. "I don't make it commercial, you don't make it commercial, the developers don't make it commercial —

but the (estimated) 15,000 people who go by every day do," he said.

Loomis, who resides in Hagar Shores, suggested that Napier avenue be rezoned multiple dwelling so that it would be the same as Napier avenue in St. Joseph township, from Colfax avenue to the St. Joseph river.

Loomis made a request 10 years ago to build multiple dwelling apartments on Napier

avenue, but his request was turned down by Benton township officials. Loomis later built the apartments at 280 West Napier avenue in St. Joseph township.

Most of the other recommendations in the revised plan were not discussed. But Robert Gruelich of route 4, Benton Harbor, showed concern that one exit from Benton Heights would be eliminated when the airport was expanded.

Planning consultants have suggested that Red Arrow highway detour down Euclid avenue to Territorial road when it becomes necessary in the future to expand the length of the Benton Harbor airport.

After listening to the planners spend one-half hour explaining the revised plan and three new ordinances, Gruelich suggested they "tear up all the ordinances you have now and make some you can understand."



TRUSTEE BRIEFING: Olivet College trustee Jack Sparks (left) gets college catalog briefing from Dr. Ray B. Loeschner (center) president of Olivet and Trustee Albert F. Dixel, a member of the college board for the past five years. Sparks and Dixel hosted reception at Berrien Hills and alumni dinner at First Congregational church. (Staff photo)



CHANGING THE MAP: Thompson A. Dyke, associate partner of Harland Bartholomew & Associates points to Napier avenue on the map, the area of concern to township residents during public hearing last night on revising the Benton township

zoning code. With him are Robert Miskill (left), chairman of the Benton township planning commission, and Robert Duchek, (right), the planning consultant's project manager of the revised zoning map. (Staff photo)

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Program 'Hanging On'

'C-MEDS' Tells Public Its Side



CARL BROWN

By BILL RUSH
Staff Writer
C-MEDS officials said Wednesday their manpower training program is "hanging on" despite rumors and charges that have spread doubt about the organization in this community.

Multi-Economic Development Systems, Inc., admitted to "having its back against the wall" during a two hour meeting in the organization's offices at 241 East Main street in Benton Harbor. The meeting was called in answer to charges made against the group over the last eight months.

C-MEDS has been accused by members of the Tri-County Community Action Program (Tri-CAP) of misappropriating \$17,000 to \$20,000 in funds, taking office furniture, waging a campaign to dislodge Tri-CAP as the area's poverty agency, and being a group of militants.

This week it was disclosed that C-MEDS has moved out of its facilities at Lake Michigan college owing \$5,200 in unpaid rent.

Carl Brown and Robert Rumney, C-MEDS vice-presidents, said the organization does owe rent to Lake Michigan college. "We signed a lease for three classrooms and office space at the Britain campus with the idea we would get a contract for the Model Cities manpower development program," Rumney explained. "We wrote the manpower program for Model Cities and \$9,000 in rent was written into program costs," he added.

The Model Cities contract was to be handled by the Michigan Employment Securities Commission (MESC). MESC was to sub-contract the program to C-MEDS, but this was stopped at the state level due to the controversy with Tri-CAP. Rumney explained. Model Cities is now negotiating with Lake Michigan college to act as operating agency for the manpower program and C-MEDS still has hopes of working with the college on this program, he said.

C-MEDS is exploring avenues to repay the rent, Brown said. Dean Kimmerly, chairman of the LMC board of trustees, added he "was surprised" this story was released to the press. "I was sorry to see the article come out because we had an excellent meeting Monday. Your enthusiasm, dedication and ability at the meeting can't be questioned," Kimmerly said.

Turning to the Tri-CAP controversy, Rumney said: "We do recognize a debt exists and have offered to repay the money upon receiving an audit from Tri-CAP as to the exact amount. We were first accused of taking \$17,000 and then the figure was upped to \$20,000."

C-MEDS has already repaid over \$9,000 to Tri-CAP on "good faith" and that has not been publicly acknowledged, Rumney said. He continued: "We authorized that \$7,037.04 owed us from the Benton Harbor school district be turned over to Tri-CAP last November. Another \$1,116.92 was in a bank account from when C-MEDS existed as Manpower Development Program. Also, \$1,000 was placed in escrow. We do not know if Tri-CAP collected the money as we have had no contact with them for months."

Rumney said what Tri-CAP has called "theft of money" and "misappropriation of funds" was determined a loan by the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) last August. The debt was incurred in Nov. and Dec. 1969 and Jan. 1970 before Mrs. Helen Ford became director. It was an informal arrangement and we made "an error in judgment" by not having the Tri-CAP board of directors approve the loans, he stated. Rumney presented an Aug. 18 letter to Tri-CAP from the OEO Chicago office designating the

money a loan.

OUT OF EXISTENCE

Tri-CAP went out of existence in February when its federal funds were cut off.

Benton Harbor Mayor Wilbert Smith said: "OEO showed weakness in not clearing up publicly. The average person would think you guilty." Smith

said he knew the loans were being made with Tri-CAP officials previous to Mrs. Ford, agreeing that C-MEDS showed bad judgment in not getting approval from the Tri-CAP board.

Rumney said C-MEDS had (See page 25, col. 4)



ROBERT RUMNEY

New Move Eyed To Incorporate Union Pier

UNION PIER — A new move to incorporate Union Pier as a village is under consideration by the Union Pier Property Owners association.

Jerry Covert, association president, said a committee is attempting to determine how the majority of Union Pier residents feel about it.

The question has circulated in the community before but never resulted in incorporation for Union Pier, which is split down the middle between Chikaming and New Buffalo townships.

Covert said a recent informal survey indicated 65 per cent of the residents with an interest in becoming independent of the

townships. The remaining 35 per cent dissented. Covert said that a referendum on the proposal would not be required if 65 per cent of the residents sign a petition in its favor.

COULD BENEFIT

Covert said association members feel Union Pier could benefit through incorporation by

providing a village ambulance and police service.

Union Pier is located at the fringe of both townships, and residents feel they are forgotten in such matters as road repairs and street lights, Covert said. The community's population swells from 600 in the winter to 2,800 in the summer.

Herbert Seeder, Chikaming

township supervisor, this morning reserved comment until he knows what is involved. He advised similar caution for Union Pier residents. Incorporation might bring higher taxes, along with the benefits, he noted.

New Buffalo Supervisor Arthur Adamce was not available for comment.



DRUG AWARENESS DAY: Byron Cuddeback, left, and Kenneth Upshaw, review plans for a planned "Drug Awareness Day" at the high school Saturday beginning at about 8:50 a.m. Purpose of the program is to make youths and adults aware of drug use and abuse and the legal, medical and social implications of drug use. Cuddeback is a senior at Paw Paw high school and Upshaw a counselor. (Staff photo)

Paw Paw Schedules Drug Awareness Day

PAW PAW — A "Drug Awareness Day" scheduled here Saturday is aimed at prompting "some dialogue between youths and adults," according to one of the organizers.

Kenneth Upshaw, a counselor at the high school, said that adults, and particularly parents of school children and students are urged to attend the day-long session which begins at 8:50 a.m. The session will end about 3:30 p.m.

NOT KNOWLEDGEABLE

"Most adults know very little about drugs," said Upshaw who is being assisted by other school teachers and members of the community.

He said too often youths who use drugs are classified as "campus bums" or "hoods." He said there has got to be more appreciation for the fact the kid using drugs "... could be my kid and it doesn't make him necessarily bad."

Upshaw said at the Monday night school board meeting that a number of civic organizations and other persons in the community have contributed money to pay for printed materials to be passed out at the session. The school board approved an expenditure of up to \$50 to cover any additional costs.

Upshaw, 25, said he feels the "Drug Awareness Day" may be a springboard to finding out if there is a serious drug problem in the community.

And he added that the program will also cover the use and possible abuse of legal drugs that adults and parents

take for granted, such as tranquilizers.

Byron Cuddeback, 17, a senior, and vice-president of the student council who headed a student council committee on drugs, said committee members, made up of a "cross section" of what might be described as hippies and straights, came to the conclusion that "there is drug use in Paw Paw, but we don't feel it is of epidemic proportions."

He said student goals of the program are to create better understanding between parents and students, and on a more long-range basis, to encourage the creation of a drop-in center.

WOULD AID YOUTHS

Such a center would aid youths with drug problems, and problems resulting from family disputes, Cuddeback said.

Upshaw said when adults and youths gather for the program they will be divided into four groups that will eventually discuss the medical, legal and social problems of drug use, and the youth culture.

Speakers during the day will be David Craig from the governor's commission on drug abuse; Ken Taylor, a state police officer widely-known for his work with youths and drugs; Seventh District Court Judge Luther I. Daines of Paw Paw; Arl Solomon and Tim Vander Veen, pharmacists from Bronson Hospital; Al Turner, a lay minister on the campus at Western Michigan University; Martin Blum, director of the Van Buren mental health services; and Dan Stoepker, director of a drop-in center in Kalamazoo.

FLORIDA HONOR

Bridgman High Band To Receive Award

BRIDGMAN — An official of the Festival of States parade in St. Petersburg, Fla. will present the Bridgman high school band with the city's award during a concert here Sunday afternoon.

Herb Melleny, managing director of the parade, will be at the local high school gym at 3 p.m. to make the official presentation of the Heart of St. Petersburg award which the band won last month after the parade.

The band will duplicate the concert they presented at the Williams Park bandshell in St. Petersburg.

Niles Twp. Man Killed In Crash

NILES — A 62-year-old Niles township man, Ben McNight, was killed in a two-car crash shortly after noon Wednesday on M-60 bypass (U.S. 12), a mile south of here.

McNight was alone in a car struck broadside by a vehicle driven by Wayne Nelson, 28, of 847 B.L. drive, Schoolcraft, Mich., according to state police from the Niles post.

Nelson suffered minor injuries and did not seek treatment, according to police. McNight was dead on arrival at Pawating hospital in Niles.

The death was the 15th on Berrien county roads this year. The toll at this time last year was 13 lives.

Trapper Richard Largent, who investigated at the scene, said McNight's car was entering M-60 from a merging westbound ramp off of U.S. 31.

Largent said the McNight vehicle swerved in front of Nelson's car in an apparent effort to cross the media area separating M-60. Nelson was westbound on M-60.

The accident remains under investigation.

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Auto Deaths In Berrien County In 1971

Review Board Hears LMC Student Gripes

A student-faculty-administration (SFA) board of review has been established at Lake Michigan college to offer a standard procedure for students who have grievances.

Students who feel they have encountered such problems as unfair classroom procedures, inaccurate grading of prejudicial administrative actions, and who have already discussed the matter with the instructor or administrator involved, can air their concern in person before the SFA review board, or

submit a written report. The SFA review board, comprised of two faculty members elected by the Faculty Assembly, two students elected by the Student Senate, and two administrators, will meet the first and third Monday of each month at 3 p.m. at the Napier avenue campus. The group is chaired by a member of the Student Services committee.

The SFA review board will hear student complaints, consider them, and cooperate with teachers and administrators in

correcting any unfair practices. The board will make recommendations after hearing both sides of a case.

No public minutes will be kept, and the faculty will maintain all traditional classroom prerogatives.

Appointments are not necessary for a student appearance before the board.

Students Karen Tyler and Doris Blair, instructors Marlene Gauer and Robert Doleson and Administrators Ben Standen and Ray Wild are SFA board members. The chairman is Charles M. Hedges, chairman of the division of business and secretarial science.

QUICK WARNING

South Haven Stores

Adopt 'Hot Line' Plan

SOUTH HAVEN — A "Merchant's Alert Hot Line" has been organized by the South Haven Chamber of Commerce to warn businessmen of shoplifters, b'd checks and quick change artists.

A. W. Roberts, chamber executive vice president, said the service for retail members is designed to minimize shoplifting in local businesses.

The businesses have been divided into 11 groups, each group headed by a "caller" who is responsible to call the three or four other firms on his list to pass along information he receives from the chamber office.

SOUTH HAVEN

Teen Faces Theft Charge

SOUTH HAVEN — David Bowden, 17, of 322 Lyon street, South Haven, was arrested Wednesday by city police on a fugitive warrant.

Bowden was sought by Portage police on a charge of shoplifting. He was turned over to Portage authorities.

Deputy Tackles Escapee

Berrien Sheriff's Deputy Robert Greer captured an escapee from the Southern Michigan prison camp in Jackson with a flying tackle last night — less than 24 hours after the prisoner walked away from Camp Waterloo with another prisoner.

Also taken into custody were the prisoner's father and brother-in-law on charges of aiding and abetting the prisoner to escape. The arrests were made after sheriff's officers combed the rural Coloma area for the escaped prisoners.

Deputy Greer said he broke his glasses when he tackled a fleeing John Wayne Kent, 21, on Coloma road, near the I-196 overpass last night. Kent was handcuffed and in custody when other officers arrived. The second prisoner, sentenced from Chippewa county, was not located.

Kent's father, George William Kent, 44, of Route 3, Watervliet, and his brother-in-law, Donald Clyde Stamps, 24, of Route 2, Box 414, Thar road, Coloma, were taken into custody later.

Stamps was arrested last year on the same breaking and entering charge as Kent, but his charge was reduced and he testified against Kent. They were charged with burglarizing a summer cottage at Twilip and Michigan avenue, Hagar township.

Barkmeier Chosen By 'Pie Cutters'

Doyle Barkmeier, superintendent of the Berrien county intermediate school district, this week was re-elected chairman of the Berrien county tax allocation board.

The 1971 term is Barkmeier's second. He was chosen by fellow members on the seven-man tax board.

Barkmeier reported that a subcommittee consisting of himself, County Treasurer William Heyn and County Clerk Forrest Kesterke was named by the board to gather new budgets from schools, townships and county government and compile them to show how much each would require in countywide tax millage.

The tax allocation board meets at Barkmeier's call next month to review the budgets and select a tentative split of the county 15-mill tax "pie" shared by county government, local school districts, townships, and the Berrien intermediate school district.

After two public hearings on the board's proposed split, the board will adopt a final millage split in June.